

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A communication method for selectively performing facsimile communication via the Internet and facsimile communication without the Internet,

5            wherein a communication parameter is changed based on whether the facsimile communication via the Internet or the facsimile communication without the Internet is to be performed.

10          2. The communication method according to claim 1, wherein said parameter is a transmission speed for the communication.

15          3. The communication method according to claim 1, wherein said parameter is allowable delay time.

20          4. The communication method according to claim 1, further comprising a detection step of detecting whether the facsimile communication via the Internet or the facsimile communication without the Internet is to be performed.

25          5. The communication method according to claim 1, further comprising a determination step of determining whether the facsimile communication via the Internet or the facsimile communication without the Internet is to

be performed, based on information inputted by a user.

6. The communication method according to claim 5,  
wherein at said determination step, upon call  
5 origination, determines whether the facsimile  
communication via the Internet or the facsimile  
communication without the Internet is to be performed,  
based on a call destination.

10 7. The communication method according to claim 5,  
wherein at said determination step, upon reception of  
incoming call, determines whether the facsimile  
communication via the Internet or the facsimile  
communication without the Internet is to be performed,  
15 based on originator telephone number information.

8. A communication apparatus capable of facsimile  
communication via the Internet, comprising:

change means for changing a communication  
20 parameter based on whether facsimile communication via  
the Internet or facsimile communication without the  
Internet is to be performed.

9. The communication apparatus according to claim 8,  
25 wherein said parameter is a transmission speed for the  
communication.

10. The communication apparatus according to claim 9,  
wherein said parameter is allowable delay time.

5 11. The communication apparatus according to claim 8,  
further comprising detection means for detecting whether  
the facsimile communication via the Internet or the  
facsimile communication without the Internet is to be  
performed.

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12. The communication apparatus according to claim 8,  
further comprising determination means for determining  
whether the facsimile communication via the Internet or  
the facsimile communication without the Internet is to  
15 be performed, based on information inputted by a user.

13. The communication apparatus according to claim 12,  
wherein upon call origination, said determination means  
determines whether the facsimile communication via the  
20 Internet or the facsimile communication without the  
Internet is to be performed, based on a call destination.

14. The communication apparatus according to claim 12,  
wherein upon reception of incoming call, said  
25 determination means determines whether the facsimile  
communication via the Internet or the facsimile

communication without the Internet is to be performed,  
based on originator telephone number information.

15. A computer-readable memory holding a communication  
5 program for selectively executing facsimile  
communication via the Internet and facsimile  
communication without Internet,

said communication program includes a program to  
change a communication parameter based on whether the  
10 facsimile communication via the Internet or the  
facsimile communication without Internet is to be  
performed.